

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 447

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A RESOLUTION to congratulate Grace Orians of St. Agnes Academy upon being named *The Commercial Appeal's* 2006-2007 First Tennessee Academic All-Star for English and Literature.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly pause in their deliberations to salute those young citizens who, through their remarkable efforts, have distinguished themselves as emerging community leaders of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Grace Orians, an esteemed student at St. Agnes Academy, has been duly recognized as *The Commercial Appeal's* 2006-2007 First Tennessee Academic All-Star in the subject area of English and Literature; and

WHEREAS, in its inaugural year, *The Commercial Appeal's* First Tennessee Academic All-Stars program spotlights standout students in the community and honors them for their dedication to academics, school leadership, and community service; and

WHEREAS, since the all-star program's September inception, principals from fifty Memphis area schools have nominated nearly 600 exceptional students for it; from those 600 students, ten were chosen for recognition by the All-Star program, each of whom having excelled in a particular subject area; and

WHEREAS, with a genuine interest in learning, Ms. Orians seeks out challenges in all academic disciplines; she has achieved outstanding academic success in English and Literature, and has taken honors courses for three years; and

WHEREAS, in addition to taking Advanced Placement (AP) World Literature, this dedicated student has excelled AP Calculus, AP European History, AP Environmental Science, Honors Spanish 4, and Honors Physics; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to accolades, Ms. Orians received the Sewanee Award for outstanding writing, academics, and leadership; and

WHEREAS, exhibiting strong leadership skills as the Student Government Vice President, Grace Orians positively influences her peers with her devotion to excellence, her witty personality, and her fantastic sense of humor; and

WHEREAS, the success of the State of Tennessee, the strength of our communities, and the overall vitality of our society depends, in great measure, on the dedication of young people like Grace Orians who use their considerable talents and resources to serve others; and

WHEREAS, Grace Orians is wholly committed to the noble precepts of public service that have earned Tennessee recognition as the "Volunteer State," and she should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and commend Grace Orians, of St. Agnes Academy, upon her selection as *The Commercial Appeal's* 2006-2007 First Tennessee Academic All-Star in the subject area of English and Literature, recognize her outstanding record of volunteerism, leadership, academic prowess, and community spirit, and extend to her our best wishes for every continued success in all of her future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.